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Sir:

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1. A plasmid containing human cDNA encoding a Human Neuropeptide Receptor polypeptide was deposited under the terms of the Budapest Treaty on April 28, 1995 at the American Type Culture Collection (ATCC), Patent Depository, 10801 University Boulevard, Manassas, Virginia 20110-2209 (current address), and given accession number 97128.

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Respectfully submitted,

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